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MAO'S FRANK SPEECH TO PARTY MEMBERS

Says "blindness" driving China to economic ruin; Government must reduce onerous taxes, stop spending

ADmits RESISTANCE ON MAINLAND

San Francisco, June 13. Mr. Mao Tse-tung sharply criticised the way the Chinese Reds had been running the country and lashed out at the "blindness" which, he said, was driving China to economic ruin.

Flying saucers myth exploded?

London, June 13. All flying saucers were shot down yesterday by the Royal Air Force according to the "Daily Herald" today.

They were air whirlpools. Investigating the mystery craft which have been seen all over the world, pilots of special altitude planes were detailed to keep observations and they have reported to the British Air Council.

Experts who examined their reports said that light refraction would make an air whirlpool look like a fast moving disc and under condensation might take different shapes, even seeming to have jet propulsion.—Reuter.

Violation of Kashmir cease-fire

New Delhi, June 13. India charged Pakistan with "clear violation" of the Kashmir cease-fire agreement today following a clash between Indian and Pakistani troops in which 15 Pakistani soldiers and six Indians were reported killed.

Indian reports of the incident said heavy mortar, grenade and rifle fire was exchanged during a four-hour skirmish which flared up on Monday morning after a party of Pakistani troops and civilians crossed the zonal border in the Jamini region just south of Kashmir.

The reports said Pakistani troops started removing cattle and timber from the village of Gulabrah, some 100 yards inside the Indian zone. They reported that when the Pakistanis were challenged by an Indian border patrol they immediately opened fire with their rifles, killing an Indian officer. Five other Indians were killed and one injured and at least 15 Pakistanis were killed in a fierce skirmish that followed, the Indian reports said.

The battle ended abruptly when United Nations observers reached the scene.

An official version is awaited of the incident which the Indian authorities termed a "clear violation" of the United Nations cease-fire agreement that has been in force since January, 1949.

The United Nations Mediator, Sir Owen Dixon, later today will fly over the region where the clash occurred. Sir Owen is at present conducting an investigation into conflicting Indian and Pakistani claims to the princely state of Kashmir.—United Press.

The Weather

At 0600 GMT (4 p.m. HKT) the trough persists from S China across S Formosa to Eastern Japan. Pressure has fallen E of the Philippines and over China.

Today's forecast: Light SE winds, scattered cumulus and showers, with fall intervals, warmer.

Yesterday's Weather:

Maximum: 78.2 deg. Fah.
Minimum: 71.3 deg. Fah.
Gusts: 10.6 m.s.
Rainfalls: 24.6 mm.=1.04 ins. Total since Jan. 1=100.4 mm.=31.71 ins. against an average of 107.6 mm.=30.05 ins.

Readings at 10 a.m. 4 p.m.

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Elev. 1000 ft. 1004.5 m.s.
Rain. 10.6 mm.=0.44 ins.
Rel. Humidity 85% 81%
Dew Point 74 74 deg. F
Wind Direction 000-8 000-8
Wind Force 4 4 mph

Reviews world situation

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Governor and Lady Grantham leave for UK

The Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, and Lady Grantham left Hong Kong yesterday morning for a holiday of several months in England, Canada and the United States.

They are due to arrive in London on June 16 and, after a week's stay, they will leave by air for Montreal, Canada, where they will arrive on June 22.

Lady Grantham plans to visit relatives and friends in the United States, making a prolonged stay in Albany, New York.

Acting for the Governor during his absence will be Mr. J. F. Nicoll, Colonial Secretary.

Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham will return to Hong Kong via San Francisco, Honolulu and Manila.

The exact date of their return has not yet been set.

Three killed in Homuntin landslide

A Chinese woman and her two small children were crushed to death yesterday at Homuntin Village when tons of earth and stone buried their squatter's hut in a landslide.

The dead woman is Cheng Kan, 32, wife of a Chinese labourer.

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Firemen and other workers dug through tons of debris, but when they reached the trapped victims, they were dead.

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Air France plane from Saigon crashes into Persian Gulf

Paris, June 13. Five persons were killed today and 39 are missing in a plunge of an Air France Skymaster into the Persian Gulf off Bahrain Island.

Official reports to Air France headquarters said six persons had been rescued and five bodies recovered.

The four-engined airliner flying from Saigon to Paris, carried 43 passengers and seven crewmen, officials reported. They said all aboard were French except one displaced person and none was of international prominence.

Reports to the headquarters of the French National Airlines said the plane was going in for a landing at Bahrain early today when it fell into the gulf. Early reports gave no clue to the cause of the mishap.

Just before the big ship went down, the pilot radioed that he was coming in for a landing.

Passengers were reported to have joined small surface vessels searching for survivors and bodies.

Mr. Louis Pontiller, Director of Air France in Egypt, said the plane had logged 10,500 hours of flying time.

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TEA-TIME SHOOTING IN THE GRIPPS; WOMAN HIT TWICE BY GUNMAN

One of the most sensational shooting affairs in the annals of Hong Kong crimes occurred at 4.30 yesterday afternoon when a Chinese man wearing a raincoat fired three shots at a Chinese woman in the Grips, Hong Kong Hotel, where more than 100 patrons were taking tea at the time.

The woman, whose name was given as Tong Yick-chun, is about 40 years old and was wearing a pair of slacks and a Hawaiian shirt. She was felled by two shots after the first one had missed her.

Wounded in the shoulder the woman was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital where her condition was reported not serious.

Cochrane and Inspector G. Martin soon arrived and the police investigation began. They sent the woman to the Queen Mary Hospital where up to a late hour last night her condition was reported fair.

The woman was reported to have told the police before she was removed to the hospital that she did not know her assailant.

By the time the police arrived almost all the patrons, who were witnesses to the shooting had left. Tong's woman companion, who was reported to be about 20 years of age and well-dressed, also had left.

The police found one bullet on the floor near the South West corner of the room under the sofa. On the window sill above the sofa where the women were sitting they found a bullet hole. Apparently the bullet after hitting the sill ricocheted to the corner.

The revolver, presumed to have been used in the assault, was found on the case near the sofa leading down to the main floor. Three shots had been fired while one bullet remained lodged in the barrel. This led the police to believe that the assailant intended to fire at least another shot at his victim.

Eye-witness account

According to an eye-witness, Mr. Y. J. Sha, Master of the ss, Dah Han, who was having tea at the time, the wounded woman was sitting with a man companion on the long sofa at the North end of the room. Mr. Sha was sitting alone behind a pillar next to the women.

He said that at first, about 15 minutes to four, he saw the women at another table at the South end, but later they moved to the North end.

SAFETY FIRST

A clerk of the Hong Kong Hotel reported that more than 100 patrons left the Grips without paying their bills during the wild scramble to get out.

Eye-witnesses were questioned by the police and photographs of the dining room and the bloodstains were taken.

The police last night could advance no theory for the shooting.

According to a report Tong is the widow of Major-General Mok Yu-shuk, who was sent to the Colony as Chinese Military Commissioner soon after the war.

Tong's address was given as 193 Wuhu Street, second floor, Kowloon, and that she was living with relatives.

No arrest was reported made last night. Inspector Cochrane is in charge of investigation.

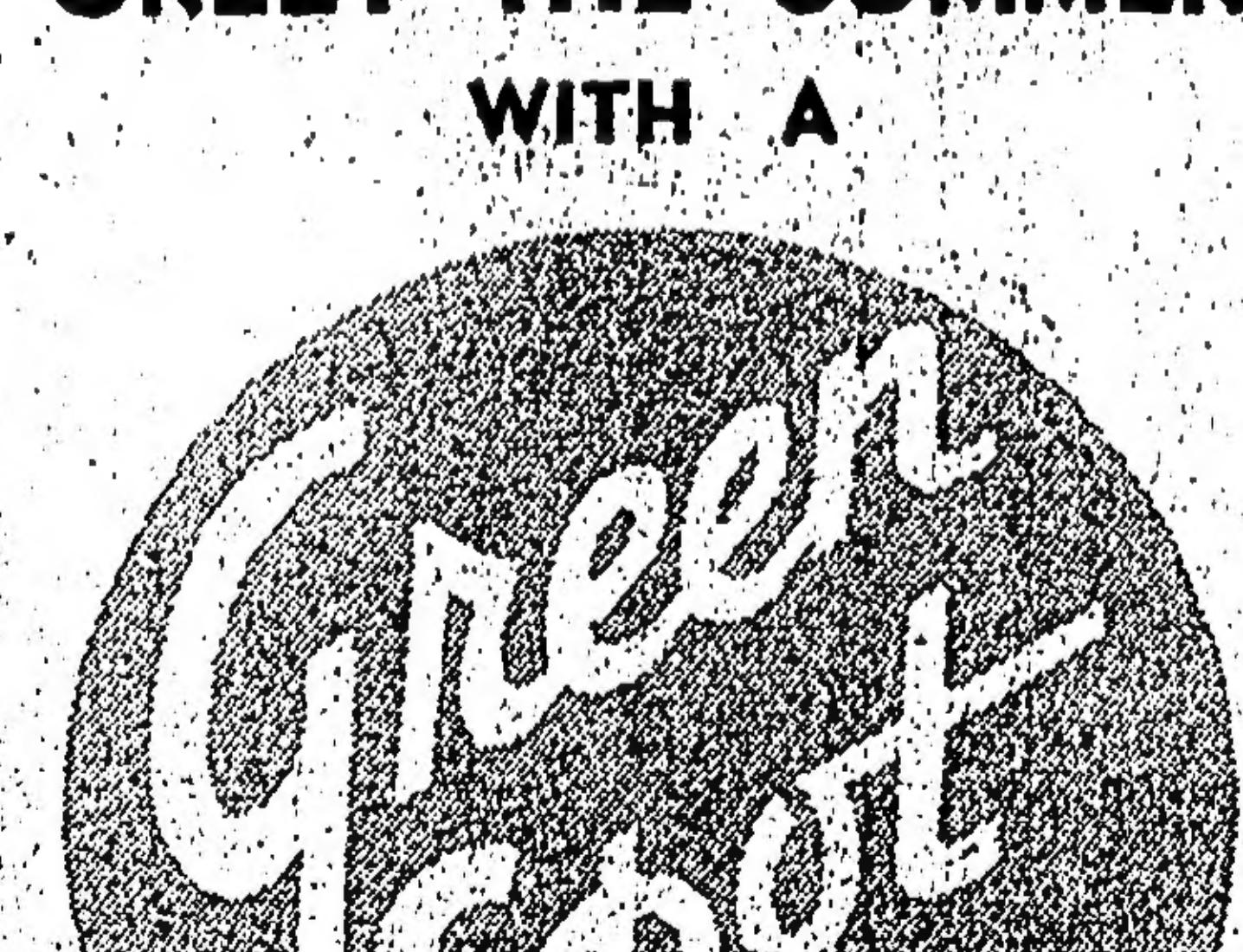
GENERAL SMUTS

Pretoria, June 13. The condition of 80-year-old General Jan Christian Smuts, seriously ill following an attack of pneumonia, remained unchanged today, his doctors reported.

Members of the Smuts family said the veteran statesman appeared to be "brighter" after spending a quiet night.

Only last week, the market rose to a new peak of 97 cents, the highest since 1920.—Reuter-APP.

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Correspondence

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HIGH COST OF MEALS

Sir—Hotel residents' meals are subject to Government control. Is there any reason why similar control should not be extended to those restaurants which, in spite of the big overall profits made, have increased their prices for meals? In some instances by nearly 25 per cent.

Government's policy is to keep down the cost of living; employers of labour try to co-operate by pegging wages to a certain level; yet these restaurants have the authority to put up their prices, which affect the purses of the majority of office-workers who are compelled to have their midday meals in town because of the distances between their offices and homes.

Here is a situation that warrants official inquiry and steps to curb what appears to be an unjustified move on the part of certain restaurants to rong in more profits at the expense of the public. Why not nationalise all big restaurants?

Hot Plate

Farewell presentation



Miss J. Shaw was given a farewell party by members of the YWCA yesterday. Photo shows a presentation being made to Mrs. Shaw by Miss G. W. Miller, Chairman of the English-speaking Members' Committee. — ("China Mail" photo).

Hot Plate

Railway parts sent to Canton

A goods train left Hong Kong last night for Canton.

The eleven-car train carried several hundred tons of railway parts and machinery, an indication that some basic agreement has been reached in British-Communist negotiations which have been going on for the past week in Hong Kong.

Though no official statements were issued yesterday on the progress of the railway talks, an informed source said that the Canton-bound machinery is to be used for necessary repairs of Communist-controlled rolling stock.

The train carried no passengers.

RMS Carthage

The RMS Carthage is expected to arrive here from the United Kingdom on July 3. The vessel, under the command of Captain E. R. Bodley, left Southampton on June 2. Passengers will include her will include A. Hartley, D. Heron, H. H. Ellis, Mrs. Ferrett, V. Kruse, H. A. H. Remond, S. N. Shroff, C. Adam, J. T. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. App, R. H. Cornelius, Mr. P. M. Dutt, Mrs. M. M. Parenden, N. S. Feltham, P. Flather, Mrs. M. Goss, Mr. and Mrs. J. Griffin, Rev. and Mrs. R. J. Hamer, H. V. Holden, Mrs. O. James, Miss E. K. James, E. D. Lark, A. Main, T. H. McCall, Mrs. R. G. McLaughlin, F. R. Menby, K. H. Menhale, Mrs. W. Morris, Mr. J. J. Robbins, Mrs. J. Sharp, J. Shield, D. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. R. Sturges, I. G. Sullivan, Dr. and Mrs. T. S. S. E. Thomas, R. S. Torrance, J. P. Walls, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. S. Winter, B. S. Yu.

Mr. V. J. L. D'Alton, instructed by Mr. J. C. Stewart, is representing the defendants, while Mr. F. D. Hammond, is holding a watching brief on behalf of the owners of the vessel, the County Ship Management and Company of London. Inspector C. Pile of the Marine Police is taking charge of the prosecution's case.

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Further charge against Argos Hill seamen

A further charge of impeding the navigation and progress of the ship was preferred against 19 seamen of the ss. Argos Hill when they were brought before Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday on remand.

The seamen were charged on Monday with disobedience to a lawful command by refusing to put out to sea. The second charge alleged that by refusing to put out to sea they impeded the navigation and progress of the ship.

The seamen, 11 Europeans and eight Arabs, are: Ahmed Mohsin, fireman; Ahmed Ali, fireman; Said Haissin, greaser; Guld Saleh, fireman; Abdullah Sallam, cook; Mohamed Abdullah, fireman; Kaid Ghaleb, greaser; Said Ali, greaser; Marcell Roger Anthony Lawrence, steward; Alfred Jones, steward; Patrick A. Hynes, able seaman; James Dunne, able seaman; James Hutton, able seaman; Robert Colle, 5th engineer; Arnold Brierley, steward; William Lammons, ordinary seaman; Danny Booker, ordinary seaman; Michael O'Leary, able seaman; and Alvera McGuinness, able seaman.

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a lot of money each day that she is tied up.

After a three days remand was granted, Mr. D'Alton wanted to know what the position of his clients would be if the ship sailed before Friday, Mr. Wicks said that leave would be given defendants to appear before any magistrate in the Colony to have their case heard.

Defendants were remanded in court custody.

The 5,000-ton vessel is under charter to the Trinity Development Company whose local agents are Dodwell and Company Limited.

She arrived here a few days ago under the command of Mr. S. M. Mallet from Kartik with a cargo mostly of cotton.

This is classified by clause 6 of the Bill which also requires that regulations be made specifying more particularly the spheres in which the advice of the Commission will be sought. It is proposed to consult the Commission fully whenever a vacancy in the pensionable establishment of the public service arises unless the vacancy arises in one of the posts excepted by sub-clause (2) of clause 6.

The exceptions are made for a variety of reasons. In the case of the Governor and Heads of Department, the Secretary of State has inevitably to consider candidates from other Colonies about whom the Commission will have no information. In the case of military organisations or a quasi-military force such as the Police it is thought desirable that promotion should proceed on the normal lines counselled by experience of such forces.

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Joint meeting of British Council, USIS and IASG Libraries

A joint meeting of the British Council Library, the United States Information Service Library, and the International Affairs Study Group Library, was held in the premises of the British Council Library, Gloucester Building, yesterday.

It was also the occasion for the opening of the International Affairs Study Group Library, which was confined to just one book case, and housed in the premises of the British Council Library.

The meeting was presided over by Dr. E. S. Kirby, Chairman of the International Affairs Study Group; Mr. C. A. F. Dundas, Head of the British Council in China; and Mr. H. S. Hudson, Director of the United States Information Service, Hong Kong.

Dr. E. S. Kirby, in declaring the library open, said the International Affairs Study Group was formed at the end of last year as a strictly non-political and unofficial body, for people in Hong Kong who are interested in serious study and informed discussion of international affairs, with reference especially to the Far East and the Pacific Ocean area.

During the first half year of its existence it has confined its activities mainly to talks and discussions, held on an average of about twice a month.

An attempt has also been made to start study circles on specific subjects which may be further developed in future.

Dr. Kirby said the Group has applied for affiliation to the Institute of Pacific Relations, the corresponding international body, and though this has not yet formally come through, the Institute has given the Group much assistance.

Supply of books

One form of assistance is the supply of books and other literature. The Group expects to receive regularly all the publications of the Institute and associated organisations, and to develop them into a specialised library.

Dr. Kirby thanked members and various individuals and organisations in Hong Kong for their support of the Group, and he mentioned the names of Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. Fung Ping-fan, Mr. Y. K. Kan, Mr. C. Y. Kwan and Mr. Li Tso-fong.

He also thanked the British Council for allowing the Group's library to be housed in their premises and to be cared for by the Council librarian. It had originally been intended to make use of St. John's Hall, but Gloucester Building was found to be a more central location.

"The library is small; it is only a nucleus at present. Indeed it will never grow big, as it is rather specialised in its contents and intention," said Dr. Kirby.

"Now the use of this library, unlike the other two libraries represented at this meeting—which meeting is an earnest of our mutual desire to co-operate for the general and public benefit—is restricted to members of the IASG only. The books and papers are to be borrowed only by members of the Group, on production of their membership card. It is free of charge, and without deposit, for them. We may consider giving borrowing tickets to non-members, on application; but this hardly seems necessary, as membership of the IASG is open to anyone with a serious interest in the kind of material we offer, against the very modest membership fee of only \$10 a year, all in; the Group endeavours in all things to be democratic in the best sense of that much-abused term, and in its finances. It is run, as the saying goes, 'on a shoestring,' on members' subscriptions sufficient only to cover minimum expenses."

Similar objectives

The next speaker, Mr. Hudson, said the general objectives of the American Library and that of the British Council are similar, each portraying the nature and projecting the character of the country it represents.

American libraries in foreign countries are trying to give the people of the world an opportunity to "know" the United States through books and magazines. These books [and periodicals] are for the most part about America, either by native or foreign authors, or are interpretations by American authors of questions mutually interesting to people everywhere.

"The emphasis is on an interpretation of America for we sincerely believe that the most people of one country know about those of other countries, mis-understandings between nations will be minimised, for knowledge develops confidence whilst ignorance breeds distrust," said Mr. Hudson.

Continuing Mr. Hudson described libraries as something in the nature of post-graduate institutions, providing trained guidance to students, hearing to supplement their studies, for adults to improve their knowledge in general, in specialised fields, and something of an encyclopaedia to



Crowds jammed the first post-war exhibition in Hong Kong of Japanese goods, held yesterday. This photo shows a portion of the exhibition shortly after the opening. ("China Mail" photo.)

Reminders

Today

To H meeting, 50 Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
Women's Section, European YMCA, whilst morning, 10 a.m.
Union Jack Club, whilst drive, 7.45 p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club, film "Code of the West", 8.30 p.m.
Japanese Merchandise Exhibition, 5, Icehouse Street.
Dominion Rubber Co., Ltd., annual meeting, 601-602, Marine House, 12 noon.
Sino-British Orchestra rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral hall, 8.15 p.m.
Foreign Press Correspondents Club, informal dance.

Coming events

TOMORROW

Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Y's Men Club luncheon-meeting, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
St. Andrew's Club Cinema and Supper for HM Forces, 7.45 p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club, Band Call broadcast, 8.15 p.m.
Amateur Hour with cash prizes, 8 p.m.
Union Jack Club, tombola, 7.30 p.m.
HK Women's International Club, whilst drive for Services, 7.30 p.m.

FRIDAY

Organ Recital, St. John's Cathedral, 1.15 p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club, tombola, 8 p.m.
Cheero Services Club, Amateur Night, 7.30 p.m.
Union Jack Club, dance, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

Excursion for HM Forces, assemble at St. Andrew's Church, 2 p.m.

by the Council that the small Library here will be increased to meet the special requirements of the people of Hong Kong.

Public library

The meeting, which was open to the public, then proceeded to a discussion of Hong Kong's library needs, and questions were asked whether in the event of the Colony having a public library the three institutional libraries could be merged with it.

Both Mr. Dundas and Mr. Hudson said their institutional libraries had certain specific functions to perform. Every facility would, however, be made available to those who want to refer to these libraries.

Questions regarding the indexing of books and posting up of information as to what books are available were also raised and discussed.

Dr. Kirby said there is no reason why Hong Kong cannot have a public library of its own, provided there is sufficient public pressure, but there was little response from the audience, and no concrete suggestions were put forward as to how this was to be achieved, beyond the sending out of letters to elicit support from different quarters.

About 40 people attended the meeting.

PRE-WAR LAND SALE DEPOSITS

Authority has now been granted to refund a certain number of pre-war land-sale deposits and suitors' funds, which were credited to the District Office, South or District Office, North, it was officially announced yesterday.

Depositors may file their claims within four months from June 13 1950, but if no claims have been received by October 15 1950, in respect of any particular outstanding case, the outstanding deposits will be written off.

Any enquires regarding the

Japanese open trade exhibition in HK

Japan held her first trade exhibition in Hong Kong yesterday when she opened a six-day trade display in Prince's Building, at the corner of Ice House Street and Chater Road.

The large number of spectators who visited the exhibition testified to the widespread interest shown by the people of Hong Kong in the re-emergence of Japanese trade in the Colony.

It is the first large-scale attempt to recapture Japan's hold on the Asian market.

Hong Kong was chosen as the locale for the sales campaign, because of its pivotal position as the trade centre of South East Asia as well as the doorway to South China.

About 200 Japanese industrialists participated in the exhibition. Their products ranged from household utensils to hardware tools, gramophones to radio sets, and cameras, electrical goods and fittings to leather goods and to footwear, silk goods and toys, and industrial dyes. The full list is too large for enumeration, but suffice it to say that the wide variety of goods on display is eloquent testimony to Japan's efforts at trade and industrial recovery since the end of the war.

Such items as textiles and rayon goods, porcelain, cotton-knitted wear, and rayon, attracted particular attention.

Price factor

Not a few Hong Kong manufacturers visited the exhibition, and went away alarmed at the prices listed on the various articles.

The blue ribbon Orient service will feature cuisines planned and supervised by the head chef of the Mark Hopkins Hotel in San Francisco, and complimentary vintage wines.

Breakfast will be served in bed for those who wish. The berths have foam rubber mattresses, personnel reading lights and are larger than conventional steamship and railroad berths.

Sleepette seats, an exclusive feature with Pan American, have been installed for Orient luxury service. These seats are converted at the flick of a switch into fully reclining lounges with a footrest which slides out from under the seat to make an overall length of more than six feet. Curtains are drawn to separate the seat from the aisle and insure complete privacy.

All types of cocktails, highballs and after-dinner liqueurs will be served to passengers either at their seats or in the lounge on the lower deck.

Pan American has modified its double-decked Clippers to accommodate 56 passengers on the Honolulu-Orient blue ribbon run. The Honolulu-Mainland service will continue to be operated with the standard accommodations for 61 passengers. Ample berths accommodations will be available on all Honolulu-Mainland flights at the regular berth charge of US\$25.

Restoration of diamond ring

Detective Sub-Inspector Scragg applied before Mr. Hing Lo at Central yesterday for the restoration of a valuable diamond ring to the rightful owner.

In his application Inspector Scragg said that the ring belonged to Wai Yee-pok who had given it to Ma Wu-lim to sell some months ago. Ma disappeared with the ring.

On May 16, the Police received information that the ring was in the possession of Yau Chu-tong, and when they went to his home he admitted that he had the diamond ring. He told the Police that Ma had pledged the ring with him for a loan of HK\$2,000.

Inspector Scragg continued that the original owner of the ring was willing to pay Yau HK\$1,000 for the return of the ring and that Yau was willing to accept the offer.

However Mr. Lo denied the application saying that he wanted to hear further particulars about the case before he would grant the application.

Vampire jets for Hong Kong

Hong Kong will have a squadron of Vampire jet planes before the end of 1950, according to informed sources yesterday.

The squadron, which will be based at Kai Tak, is due to come to Hong Kong from England on the aircraft carrier, HMS Ocean.

The planes, the same type as the jet plane which was to have given a demonstration in Hong Kong three weeks ago, will be the first permanent jet squadron ever to be stationed in the Colony.

A Royal Air Force officer confirmed the arrival of the jet planes, but would not elaborate.

Mr. Noble's address to Rotarians

Mr. Kenneth Noble, Canadian Government Trade Commissioner, gave a talk on "More about Money" at the Hong Kong Rotary Club weekly luncheon yesterday.

The talk was a follow-up of a film, "Story of Money" shown to Rotarians by courtesy of Mr. Bill Anderson early last month.

Mr. Noble touched upon the intricacies of international exchange, unfavourable balance of trade, and basic financial adjustments. Nations, like individuals, have to live within their earnings or else they get into trouble, though when nations get into monetary trouble, matters become much more complicated, he said.

Britain's financial troubles were due not so much to spending beyond her earnings as to the heavy debts she incurred during the war, and she has now to make up by increasing her exports. She has done remarkably well in this connection, for her exports today are 50 per cent higher than before the war.

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It is a question of earning enough to pay your debts and, in the case of Britain, despite her achievements, her earnings are still not enough to pay her debts, said Mr. Noble.

The speaker was thanked by Mr. Bill Anderson on behalf of the Club.

Rotarians were reminded by the President, Mr. Fung Ping-fan, that the next meeting on Tuesday, June 20, will be Ladies' Day, and they were asked to turn up in full force with their Rotary-Annes.

Victoria Diocesan Ass'n annual reunion

The annual reunion of the Victoria Diocesan Association (Hong Kong) will be held at 3 p.m. on June 28 in the Hoare Memorial Hall, Church House, Westminster.

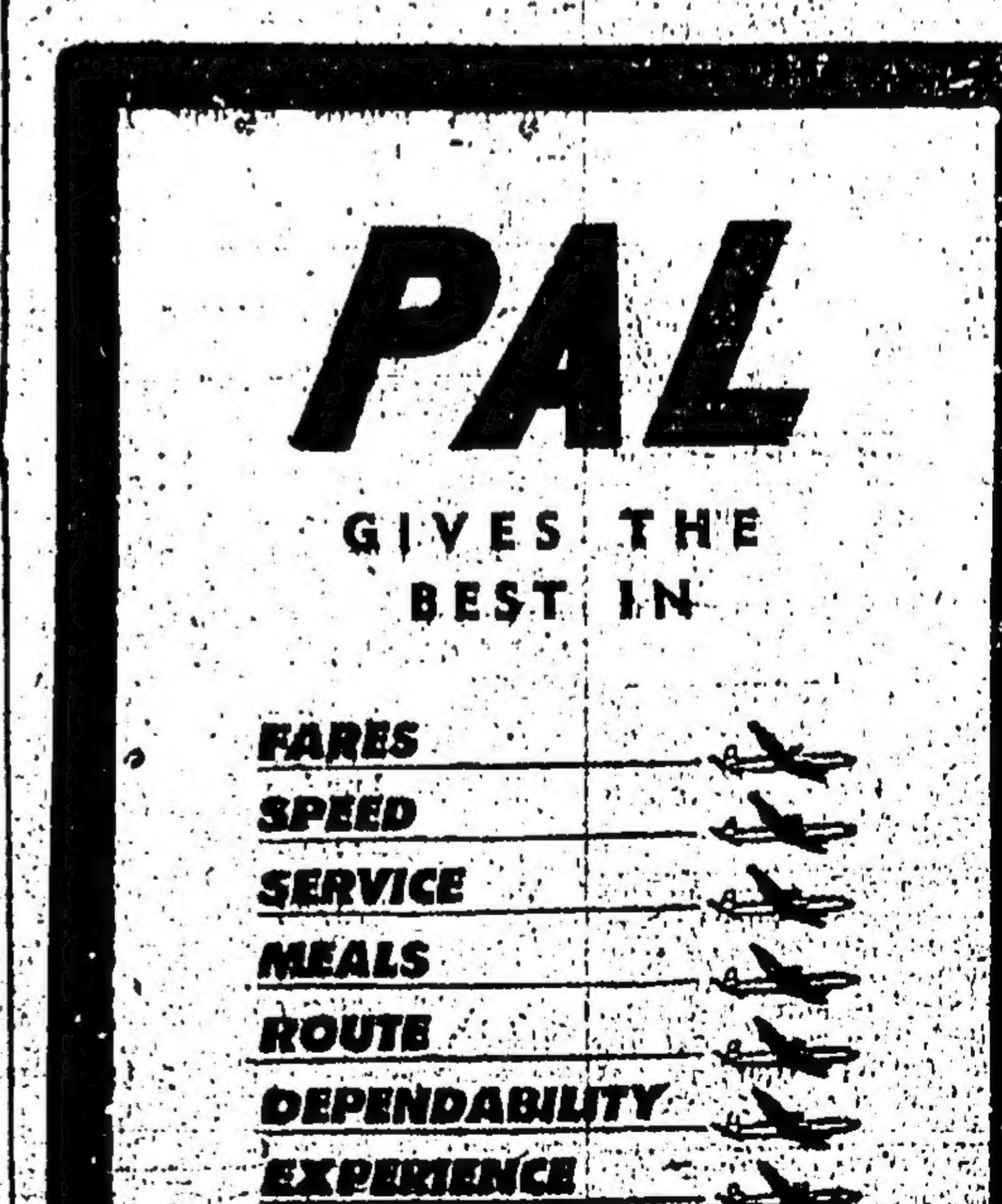
Bishop Wilson will be in the Chair and the Speakers will be Dean Rose and Miss M. C. Knight.

The reunion will be preceded by service at 12 noon at St. Margaret's, Westminster, at which Canon Swann will celebrate and the sermon preached by Gerald Goodman. Lunch and tea will be available at Church House.

Residents of Hong Kong who would like invitations sent to friends in England should notify either Mrs. Overall, Grove House, Walton, Wakefield, Yorks, or Mrs. H. A. Skinner, 274 The Peak, Hong Kong, immediately.

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AUTHORITY:—Marine De-
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J. JOLLY,
Director of Marine.

Marine Office,
Hong Kong, June 13, 1950.

MARINE DEPARTMENT
NOTICE No. 18 OF 1950.FOR INFORMATION OF
SHIP OPERATORS AND
CHARTERERS.

It is hereby notified that
Saturday and Sunday 10th/
11th June 1950 have been de-
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Days.

J. JOLLY,
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Marine office
Hong Kong.
June 12, 1950.

POLICE NOTICE.

It is hereby notified for
general information that the
Police Notice published on 13th
and 14th June 1950, regarding
the closing of Victoria Road
from Yat Pit Ting to the road
leading to Mount Davis Military
Camp on 15th and 16th June 1950
has now been cancelled.

COMMISSIONER OF
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June 13, 1950.

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4 p.m. on June 16, 1950.

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL

The Medical Practice of Dr.
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Tenders should be handed in
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Municipal Council in Macao,
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JORGE GRAYE LEITE,
President.

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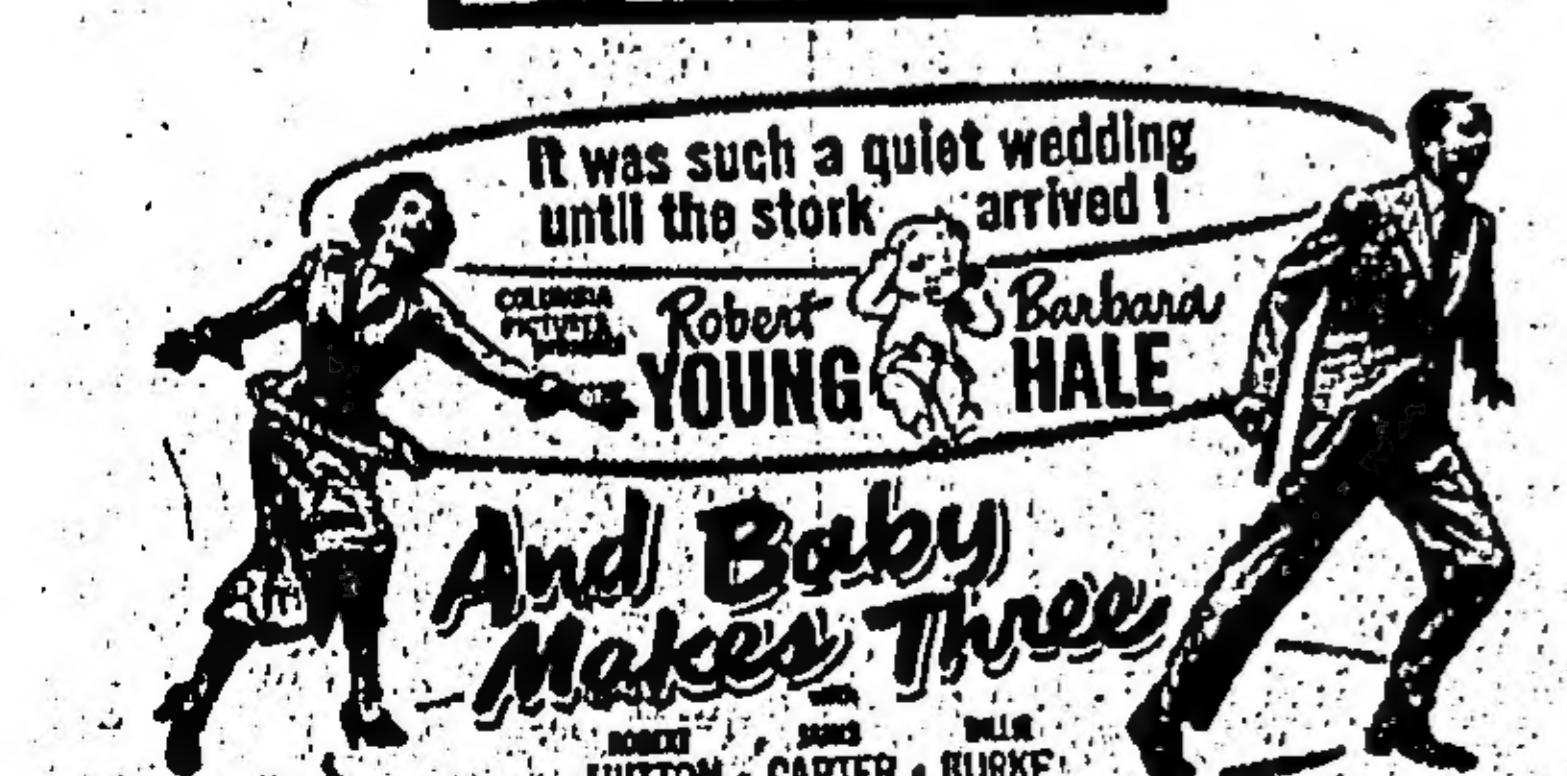
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JOHNSON TOUR OF PACIFIC

Honolulu, June 12. The Secretary of Defence, Mr. Louis Johnson, said today that he was making his first tour of the Pacific to determine U.S. ability to meet any crisis today or tomorrow in the vast area.

Mr. Johnson, his wife, and General Omar Bradley, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, arrived by plane this morning. They will proceed to the Philippines and then to Japan for talks with General Douglas MacArthur.

Washington and Tokyo reports say a peace treaty for Japan will be the main subject of the conversations with General MacArthur. Mr. Johnson declined to comment on the treaty in meeting reporters.

Instead of replying to the treaty question, he said that on his tour, he would try to find out all the facts about the U.S. defense position in the Pacific.

Russia, Mr. Johnson said, is bent on making the U.S. spend itself into disaster. But, he added, the American economy is sound and U.S. defenses are sufficient for the needs of the moment.

The strategic location of these Hawaiian Islands continues to fit them in a key role in the plans for the defense of America, he continued. "I sincerely hope that soon the flag of the United States will have the star of Hawaii added to its union."

The visiting defense chiefs will remain here until Wednesday night for talks with Admiral Arthur W. Radford, Commander of the Pacific Fleet. Admiral Radford has just returned from a Pacific tour.—Associated Press.

NEW ZEALAND CLOSES LEGATION IN MOSCOW

Moscow, June 12. The New Zealand Legation in Moscow was closed today and the Charge d'Affaires, Mr. P. Costello, is leaving Moscow tomorrow. The British Embassy will handle New Zealand interests.

Mr. Costello is going directly to London and will then fly to New Zealand for consultations.

Mr. Costello, who has been in Moscow since spring, 1944, saw the Deputy Foreign Minister, Gustav, at the Foreign Ministry today for a farewell call.—Associated Press.

Awni Khalidi of Iraq today denounced the Israeli plan for international guardianship of Jerusalem's holy places as impractical, unjust and unacceptable.

Sir Carl Berendsen of New Zealand countered before the United Nations Trusteeship Council by declaring it was time to "terminate this sorry farce" debating internationalisation of Jerusalem and to report failure to the General Assembly in the Council's efforts to carry out its resolution of last December.

The Soviet-boycotted 12-member Council resumed its debate on Jerusalem after a 10-day postponement to permit Khalidi to get fresh instructions from his Government. Khalidi opened the debate with a long attack on the plan for curatorship of holy places and upon the report of Roger Garae of France, who presided over the Council's efforts to draft and implement an internationalisation statute.

After Khalidi spoke, Sir Carl took the floor. He said "It is high time to terminate this sorry farce and bring to an end all discussions on Jerusalem except those necessary for the preparation of the Council's report to the General Assembly. This Council is wasting time, money and energy on an impossible task imposed upon it by the Assembly.... The Council has failed because the Assembly failed. The Assembly's resolution of December 9, 1949, was not a solution but an evasion."

Khalidi said Iraq would accept nothing less than a complete international regime for Jerusalem intact and undismembered. It would be impossible to maintain separate administration in a small territory proposed by Israel for the internationalisation of holy places.

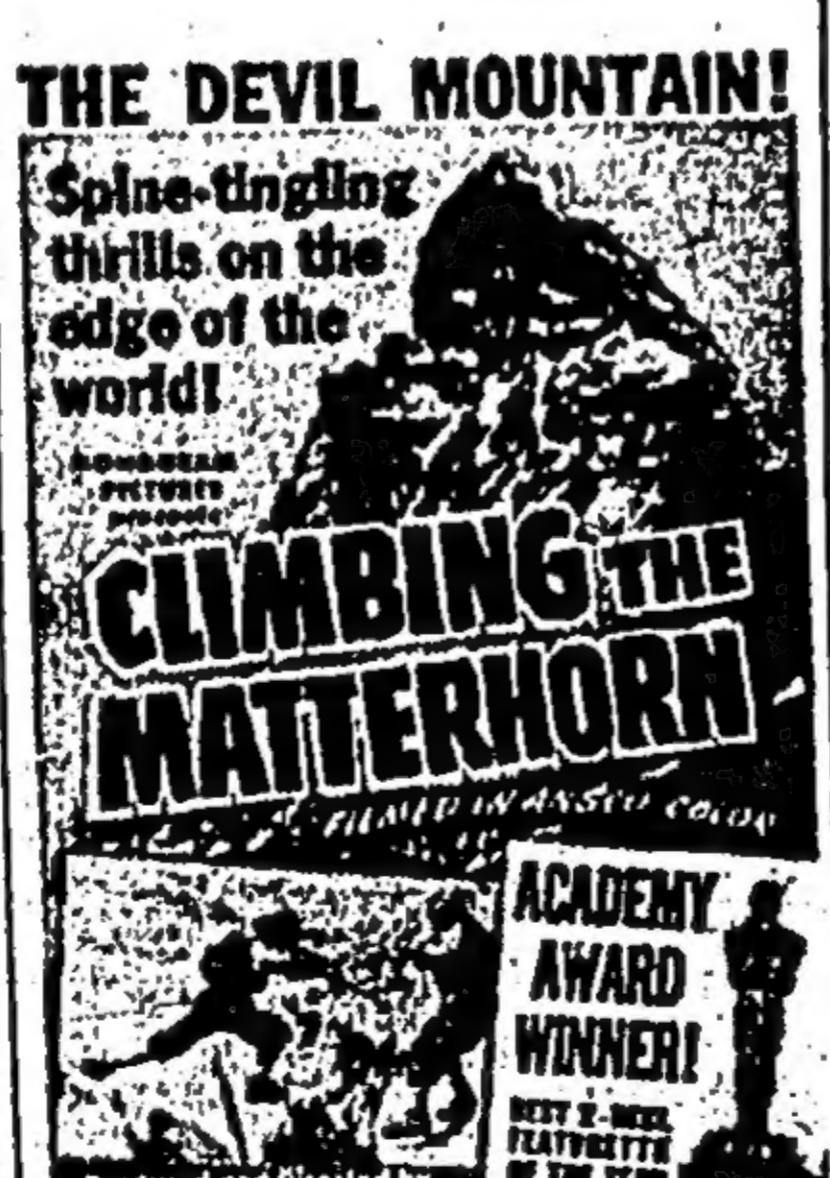
"The Israel proposal overlooks the fact that not only the shrines in the old city are sacred but all of Jerusalem is sacred—the city and its environs. Can one say the small locality of Bethlehem is not sacred. Yet that is not part of the old city and is not included in the Israel plan. We ask for a complete international regime for Jerusalem intact and undismembered. We shall not accept less. We shall not be moved by cries of paid propagandists."

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Lake Success, June 12.

Awni Khalidi of Iraq today denounced the Israeli plan for international guardianship of Jerusalem's holy places as impractical, unjust and unacceptable.

Sir Carl Berendsen of New Zealand countered before the United Nations Trusteeship Council by declaring it was time to "terminate this sorry farce" debating internationalisation of Jerusalem and to report failure to the General Assembly in the Council's efforts to carry out its resolution of last December.

He quoted the Assembly resolution providing that the Trusteeship Council should permit nothing to divert it from drafting and implementing the internationalisation statute.

"We consider this not only as an article of faith of the Council, not only as its express duty but only as meeting the wishes of the religions of the world not only as a point of honour with the United Nations but also to preserve the holy city from political designs."

Francis Sayre of the United States suggested that the problem of Jerusalem be sent back to the General Assembly for further consideration.

Mr. Sayre said, "Because it could see no practicable way to enforce and implement such a statute and because such an arrangement was apparently opposed by the inhabitants themselves of the Jerusalem area, the United States in the General Assembly voted against the resolution of December 9. The United States understands it as the very heart of democracy that the minority should accept and loyally cooperate with the expressed will of the duly constituted majority."

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"We are not propagating war," said Yaroslav Stezko, chief spokesman for the delegates. "We are only presenting the case of subjugated peoples who want back their own freedom and social justice."

Stezko, a former Ukrainian Prime Minister, is President of the Central Committee of the Anti-Bolshevik Bloc of Nations (ABN). He told a Press conference that the movement was slowly gaining recognition in their fight to throw off the Kremlin's yoke.

"It is not an easy matter," he said, "as with the realisation of the aims of the ABN, the map not only of Europe but the whole world will be absolutely changed."

The conference delegates are all living in exile, most of them in Germany and Austria. The States represented include Bulgaria, Croatia, Northern Caucasus, Estonia, Georgia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, White Ruthenia, Serbia, Slovakia, Turkistan and the Ukraine.—Associated Press.

WISEST COURSE

"In the light of statements which have been made by the interested parties and of all existing conditions it would seem clear to my Government that it is impracticable at this time to proceed with the implementation of the statute."

Mr. Sayre added, "My delegation, therefore, agrees that the wisest course for the Council to follow, if indeed it is not the only course open, is to refer the question back to the General Assembly for its further consideration. It is prepared to support any appropriate proposal to that end informing the General Assembly of the steps which the Council has taken in compliance with its resolution.

Britain supported the New Zealand-American argument for returning the issue to the full Assembly.

Aubrey Eban, Israel delegate, who was invited to attend the Trusteeship Council's discussion of Jerusalem, said he was forced to the gloomy conclusion at this time that the Arab world is not available for co-operation in any solution of this problem."

Mr. Eban asked that the Trusteeship Council in any report to the General Assembly include the full text of Israel's curatorship resolution as well as a letter the Tel Aviv delegation submitted with it.—United Press.

SCERETSES LEAVE

Cape Town, June 12.

The Sceretse Khamiso household has packed up and left Serowe,

capital of the Bamangwato tribe for Lobatsi, 200 miles away on the Transvaal border.

Sceretse, banned from Bamangwato tribal territory in Bechuanaland for five years because of his marriage, was given special permission to visit Barowie for the birth of his daughter on May 15. Not one of the tribe turned out to see Sceretse, his wife formerly Ruth Williams, of London and their month-old daughter, Jacqueline, leave.—Reuter.

HAMLET FAINTS

Copenhagen, June 12.

Michael Redgrave, British actor who plays Hamlet in the Old Vic's performance of "Shakespeare's tragedy at Kronborg Castle, Elsinore, fainted tonight soon after the play began.

He was carried out and later it was announced that the performance of the play would be cancelled.—Associated Press.

LINDA CHRISTIAN IN SINGAPORE

Singapore, June 12.

Linda Christian, actress wife of Tyrone Power, the film star, arrived in Singapore tonight from Ball. She will spend a few days here then emplane for Bangkok, New Delhi, Rome and London, where she will meet Power.—Associated Press.

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PEKING AGAIN LOSES VOTE FOR ADMISSION TO UN CONFERENCE

Lake Success, June 12.
An international conference to discuss technical aid to under-developed countries today rejected a Yugoslav demand to invite Chinese Communist representatives to attend. The demand was rejected by 26 votes to nine.

The Soviet Union, Poland, and Czechoslovakia stayed away from the conference which is being attended by members and non-members of the United Nations.

The three-day meeting was called to find out how much money nations were prepared to pay into a pool to provide technical aid to under-developed countries.

Russia and her Eastern European partners failed to show up as representatives of some 70 nations began the conference.

The Secretary-General, Trygve Lie, giving full credit to President Truman whose "Point Four" programme provided the impetus for creating the United Nations project, told the delegates that the General Assembly has declared that partisan political considerations shall not enter into the conduct of this programme in any way.

The Chinese Nationalist delegation, whose continued presence in the United Nations was given as the reason for the 21-week-old Soviet boycott of the World organisation, was in its place as the conference began. But the Russians and their Communist colleagues were conspicuously absent.

Poland, in demanding last week that Mr. Lie invite Mao Tse-tung's Chinese Communist regime, had indicated that the Soviet State would not attend the conference if the Nationalists were present.

It was the 33rd time that the Russians had exercised their boy-boycott against a United Nations organ.

It followed the same pattern the Kremlin decreed last winter when no Russian delegations showed up for the Trusteeship Council session in Geneva.

After hearing Mr. Lie's opening address, the conference unanimously elected Dr. Herman Santa Cruz of Chile as its chairman.

Most significant
Mr. Lie told the delegates that the technical assistance conference is potentially one of the most significant ever called by the United Nations.

He said: "It will mark the beginning of a new and expanded programme of technical assistance for economic development that can be made by the member nations into an increasingly powerful force for world peace."

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The chief purpose of the conference was to formalise contributions informally pledged earlier by countries participating in the United Nations technical aid programme.

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REUTER MAN EXPLAINS HIS DEFECTION FROM THE BRITISH PRESS

Gradual conversion to Communist viewpoint

Mr. John Peet, Reuter's chief correspondent in Berlin, announced today that he "could no longer serve the Anglo-American warmongers."

He made the announcement at a Press conference called by Herr Hans Eisler, head of the East German (pro-Soviet) Information Department.

Mr. Peet thus, in effect, severed his connection with the British Press, which he had served as a Reuter correspondent in Europe for the past four years.

Speaking in German, he said: "As a Western journalist, I have become automatically and increasingly a tool of the American-controlled war machine. As an English patriot, democrat and friend of peace I cannot continue along this path."

Mr. Peet said that the "last straw" was the "lying and warmongering reports in the Western Press of the great Whitman Youth peace demonstration in Berlin."

The Anglo-American Occupation policies in Germany are aimed at making Western Germany the jumping off ground for a new war," he said. He assured the conference that he had not been influenced in his decision by "Russian money or Central Asiatic truth drugs."

The German staff in Reuter's Berlin Office were taken by surprise when Mr. Peet rang them up from the building of the East German Government Information Service to give them the news of his action.

Gradual process

At today's Press conference, which Western correspondents described as a "well laid-on affair," East Berlin journalists turned up in great numbers and an East German news-reel cameraman was also present.

A Quaker

Mr. Peet was born at Sydenham, London, and is 34 years of age. He comes from a Quaker family, was educated at a Friends (Quaker) school in Yorkshire, where his father, Mr. Hubert W. Peet, was for 17 years editor of "The Friends," a British Quaker weekly, from which he retired at the end of last year.

Mr. Peet served in the International Brigade during the Spanish Civil War from 1937 to 1938, after which he joined the Palestine police force in 1939, working with the Criminal Investigation Department at Haifa.

He later joined the Public Information Office in Jerusalem under the British Mandatory Government, where he was news editor from 1943 to 1945, and was in the editorial control of Radio Jerusalem.

He joined Reuters in 1945 and was assigned a few months later to the Vienna Reuter Office, where he remained for a year before taking up an appointment in the Warsaw Office in December 1946.

Mr. Peet was in Warsaw until the latter part of 1947, when he was brought back to London for a short period of duty on the London desk before joining the London staff.

He returned to Warsaw in February 1948, to marry the Countess Christl Oudenus, who then joined him in Berlin.

Mrs. Peet is at present in Vienna.

Mr. Peet resigned his membership of the Society of Friends (a Quaker organisation) several years ago.

"My England a colony"

A version of the Press conference issued by DPA, the West German news agency, said that Herr Eisler thanked Mr. Peet for his "courageous words" and appealed to all the representatives of the Western Press "to break with the warmongers and tell the German people the truth about the dangers lying in Western imperialism."

When Mr. Peet said that his family in England would not be exposed to any threats as a result of his decision, Mr. Eisler interjected: "The British have not yet progressed as far as the Americans."

"Every Western journalist, if he is honest, can only laugh sadly at the so-called Western freedom."

He went on: "When I became a Reuter correspondent in 1945, I hoped that, by means of objective reporting from Vienna, Warsaw and Berlin, I could play my small part in helping a peaceful development of Europe and the world."

"At first, in the immediate post-war years, this was to some extent possible, but slowly I discovered that messages which spoke favourably about developments, for instance, in the German Democratic Republic, were being suppressed by the news papers."

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Queen Mother votes



Warm sunshine drew out of Belgium's 5,000,000 voters early to the polls to cast their ballots in the nation's third legislative election since 1945. The election is also the third in a year. Main issue was a coalition to the question of King Leopold's abdication or return. There were four contending parties: Christian Social (Catholics); Liberal; Socialist; and Communist—no Independents or splinter groups. The three-edged election decided the composition of the House of Representatives, the Senate, and the Provincial Councils. Photo shows: Queen Mother Elisabeth hands in her vote in Brussels. (Associated Press Photo).

Kremlin meeting of the Russian Parliament

Moscow, June 12. The Nationalities Council of the Supreme Soviet met in the Grand Palace of the Kremlin at 8 p.m. today and adjourned at 9.20. It adopted an agenda similar to the Union Council's. The Councils will meet jointly tomorrow.

The formal session of the second post-war Soviet Parliament opened with a meeting of the Union Council in the marble-walled, crystal-chandeliered former St. Andrew's Hall of the Kremlin.

Proceedings were started by the oldest member of the Supreme Soviet a few minutes after the appearance on the dais of the Politburo members, when some 2,000 Deputies and guests stood and gave them an ovation.

The United States Ambassador, Alan Kirk, the British Chargé d'Affaires, John Nichols, and other Western envoys sat in the diplomatic gallery. Spectators included the visiting Finnish Premier, Urho Kekkonen, and the Foreign Trade Minister, Onni Tolonen, who earlier had visited Lenin's mausoleum and the Fine Arts Museum, now exhibiting the vast collection of gifts to Stalin from all countries presented on his 70th birthday in December 1949.

Vyacheslav Molotov and other Politburo members sat in the central section of the dais, flanked by members of the Council of Ministers. They were Malenkov, Berlin, Voroshilov, Andreyev, Mikoyan, Kaganovich, Shvernik and Voroshilov.

Stalin praised

The session was opened by Alexander Palladin, oldest member of the Supreme Soviet, who hailed the achievements of the Soviet Union in the past four years with over-fulfillment of the five-year plan, resulting in both re-

Cotton prospects in China

San Francisco, June 13. Communist China expects 600,000 tons of raw cotton to be harvested before the autumn, unless unpredictable natural disasters occur, Peking Radio reported tonight. It said that cotton had been planted on more than 3,485,000 hectares of land this year—figure exceeding the original plan by over 150,000 hectares.

The 600,000 tons of raw cotton expected to be harvested before the autumn would ensure an adequate supply of the commodity for all Chinese textile mills, the Radio added.

It also said that a reasonable cotton price had been fixed in relation to grain prior to the planting. In many places purchase contracts had been signed between peasants and Government-owned trading concerns—a great encouragement to peasants to plant cotton. Reuter.

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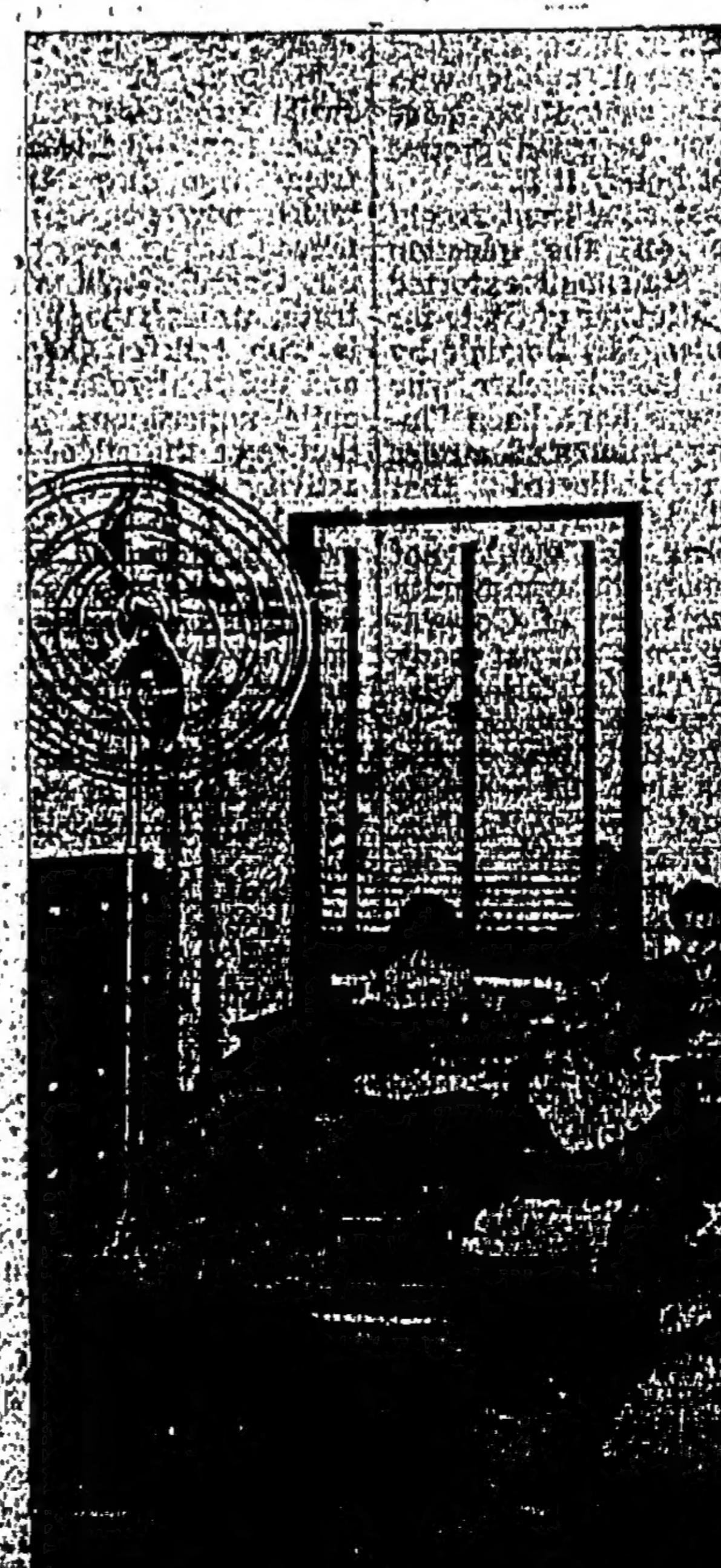
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HONG KONG IS BY-PASSED

The Secretary of State for the Colonies and the War Secretary delivered themselves with unusual volubility on the subject of Malaya when they returned to London. They made no reference whatever to Hong Kong except on the necessity of building married quarters for the troops here. Since it is mostly bad news nowadays that makes for publicity, Hong Kong has no reason to begrudge the overwhelming prominence of Malaya. Indeed the longer we can go along on our quiet way the better while we await the outcome of the new turn in the situation in China, and see more clearly what it may mean in trade improvement or otherwise and, let us hope, in more neighbourly relations.

Some of the political cognoscenti have made it clear they would like a little more light on their favourite topic, the question of a Constitution for the Colony. The Committee of the Reform Club were out of luck in their attempts to buttonhole the War Secretary on the subject. When told that Mr. Strachey came here solely to discuss the problems of his own Ministry, they argued that as a member of the Cabinet he is responsible in part for any Constitutional reform in Hong Kong. Actually though of Cabinet rank, he is not a member of the Cabinet, in which the armed services are represented now by the overall Defence Minister.

It was also contended that political stability is an essential feature of the defence system. That is true enough, though it is equally true that the creation of Constitutions does not always make either for harmony or for stability. The most remarkable feature of the position is the secretiveness observed on almost all sides in the Government, and the apparent lack of general interest on the part of the general public, who seem quite content to leave the matter to small groups whose pet hobby it is.

The most significant recent utterance on the question was the statement extorted from the Minister of State for the Colonies, Mr. Dugdale by a Labour back-bencher who may perhaps have been "inspired" by interested circles here. He indicated that Whitehall is leaving it to Hong Kong, and would not impose upon the community here some form of Government they were not yet ready to accept. The indication was that important elements in Hong Kong still differ on the matter, as they did when it was a much livelier topic than it is at present and as, no doubt, they still do. There is, for example, the different emphasis placed by some people on the proposed Municipal Council and by others on the Legislative Council, and the dispute on who is to get voting rights.

On the other hand, there is a feeling that the Colonial Office is dodging the post and exploiting what is, after all, not such a bad pretext in order to avoid possible further complications. It has not always been so squeamish the Constitution imposed upon Malaya. Immediately after the war is a case in point. But the very unhappy consequences, perhaps taught

Behind the Iron Curtain--No. 1:

LIFE IN ONE OF RUSSIA'S PUPPET STATES

This is the first in a series of articles describing life in one of Russia's puppet states. The author has only recently left Hungary, where he lived and worked for many years.

Where they talk about liberty, and really mean tyranny...

Where they march to the theatres in threes...

Where a trade union card is a matter of life and death.

How do people live behind the Iron Curtain? I cannot speak about Russia, because I have never been there.

But I do know about Hungary. I lived and worked there for years.

Hungary is one of Russia's puppets, a "people's democracy." And the first thing to notice about this people's democracy is that nobody can tell you what it is. Lots of people will spend a lot of time trying to define it. Georgy Dimitrov, who died in Russia while under medical treatment (some people think his malady was a small hole in the head; about calibre .45), once spent more than an hour at a Party Congress trying to define a people's democracy. He was not specially successful.

I would not attempt a definition. I don't suppose my friends in Hungary would attempt it either. But we can tell you how it works.

It sounds good. The right to work, for instance, is constitutionally guaranteed to every citizen. But if a citizen is denounced in his factory—and there are many reasons, including personal splits for denunciation—his trade union card is withdrawn. Without a trade union card he cannot get any kind of work. Without a trade union card he cannot get any kind of State relief. So he

stares at the wall.

The wise citizen

So the wise citizen takes good care not to be denounced. So he toes the party line. And so the people's democracy presents a united front to the world.

It is as simple as all that. It is as apidiously as brilliantly successful as it sounds.

By perverting trusted political ideals, like democracy and the right to work, it has produced a topsy-turvy land where no-one knows any more what's what's moon. You can read the Party text books and the constitution and you could reasonably think that here is the Promised Land. You have to live in it to know that the reality is the bondage in Egypt.

It is a bondage that takes in every phase of life. It even takes in going to the pictures.

Party secretaries are given blocks of free tickets for theatres, for instance, and the tickets are distributed among the members.

their lesson. The Malays boycotted this Constitution, and the Government had to get out another Constitution which, though it was the outcome of much consultation with all concerned, still did not satisfy everybody. And the latest developments in Malaya indicate that this thorny problem is still very much alive and as dangerous as ever to stability.

Malaya, of course, has racial problems that do not exist here—apart altogether from the dire emergency which now necessarily takes precedence of everything. As Mr. Griffiths said with blunt truth, unless the jungle war is won talk of Constitutions and political reforms will be quite superfluous. Mystification over the silence and inactivity that have fallen upon the local scene would probably be dispelled, at least in part, by the assumption that the chief source of anxiety in cautious minds is not the extent of the suffrage, though that can be serious enough in the production of controversy, but the danger of direct elections and of pressure from outside.

One of the local bodies, indeed, made the review of the Treaties one of its planks. To transform a diplomatic issue which is merely potential, but not actual, into a capital question of domestic policy would be disastrous. That is one of the reasons why the Malayan rather than the Singapore type of Constitution would be more suitable as a temporary solution. The first given representation to practically every form of interest and activity without the dangers of demagoguery, the formation of Parties, and the habits of the hustings—with only a feeble response on the part of the electorate.

Then the members form up in threes outside the secretary's office and are marched off to enjoy themselves.

Take part in international competitions if they aren't.

In any case, they can leave the country only if they intend to return and if they have an odds on chance of winning.

The exception to this rule is a visit to Russia. There, they must gracefully acknowledge defeat and come back singing the praises of Russian skill. And the Hungarian tennis player who did so well at Wimbledon, found that the standard of tennis in Moscow was higher than anything he had seen elsewhere.

Football is still very popular in Hungary. The State-run football pool—called the "Toto"—has a wide clientele though the cost per line is much higher than in Great Britain, and the stakes returned much smaller.

Since there were not sufficient Hungarian matches of doubtful outcome to make up a good coupon, at one time games from the Scottish and English leagues were put in.

This caused complications because tipsters knew of Arsenal and Rangers and could make a fair attempt at saying the names. Sportsmen must be ideologically pure according to Communist standards and are not allowed to

participate in football.

It is a good story. But it has its pitiful side. Budapest workers may not be believing Communists but there are a lot of good actors.

And the really tragic part of it is that they have to be.

Family life in Australia

ing, cooks with a gas-stove of English design and Australian manufacture. She has a water-heater over bath and sink, and she wants an electric washing-machine for the laundry. She

and fruit (stewed or tinned) with ice-cream or custard. The only really Australian dish is the grilled steak with two fried eggs perched on top of it, or, alternatively, steak smothered with stewed oysters.

Dinner is at 6 p.m., then, with the children in bed, a quiet night of sewing or reading, or perhaps a couple drop in for cards (bridge or poker).

It's not the routine that would send you delirious with excitement, but "Mrs. Jones finds it comfortable, pleasant and easy on the nerves."

What are the main difficulties of housekeeping? Rent is 30s. to £2 for an average cottage.

Furniture is dear, and so are domestic machines and gadgets. Home-building is a heart-breaker because of rising costs—you can kiss £2,000 good-bye if you build two-bedroom home.

Home builders

A lot of Australian couples are building their own homes at week-ends and in their spare time, with the housewife as general hod-carrier and builder's assistant. They seem to enjoy it, and certainly enjoy a sense of personal accomplishment.

Her day starts at 7 a.m. Breakfast is porridge, followed by bacon and eggs or boiled eggs for all hands. Husband buys his lunch (2s. 6d.), and the children take cut-lunches, with an apple or banana, to their State school (free). They buy milk at school to round out the meal.

With the family off for the day, Mrs. Jones spends the morning on her housework, made light by her post-war vacuum-cleaner (£23), which polishes as well as cleans. Baker, milkman and fruiteller call during the morning. Bread is 7d. for a 2lb. loaf, and you can get it in all shapes, sizes and colours, from crisp white rolls to big wholemeal loaves.

Milk is 10d. a quart, and Mrs. Jones gets 2 quarts. Fruit and vegetables are not cheap. Lettuce may cost from 4d. to 1s. depending upon the season; tomatoes 1s. 6d. But bananas and pineapples, pawpaws and apples and oranges are fairly inexpensive—and you can buy them almost all the year. You don't have to go shopping for these things—home deliveries are the standard thing; the "fruitor" always has his sample baskets loaded.

At the shops

After lunch Mrs. Jones goes to the local shopping centre. Butcher first stop. There is always a wide choice, but she has to watch prices closely.

Plenty of roasting fowls, but they're too dear at 1s. 6d. Leg of lamb is 9s. 6d. so Mrs. Jones decides on corned beef.

Enough for one hot meal, one cold meal and some sandwiches costs 7s. 6d. She gets sixpenny-worth of soup, meat (beef shin) and 1s. worth of pork sausages for breakfast.

Then the grocer, with his shelves loaded with all the goods Mrs. Jones could not get in the years just after the war. Biscuits are back; so are tinned meats, fruits, vegetables, soups, cheeses, sausages, matches, cigarettes.

Quiet routine

Home again, to wait for the children. School is over at 3.30 p.m. Then, there is dinner to cook—much the same recipes and cooking methods as Britain's, with meat and two vegetables, followed by fruit and dessert.

The Red moll of the jungle

By GERRARD BARRY.

Four bandits—one a lovely woman—walked recently into a Malay woman's hut, shot one child and stabbed another.

Then, as the screaming mother fled in horror, the woman bandit killed her.

That bandit is 25-year-old Samsiah Boerstam, Malay's leading gun-moll, who has a price of 2,000 Malayan dollars on her head.

I must have seen the young Samsiah many times in the days when I used to visit the Malay vernacular Kampung schools in the thirties.

She must have been like any other Malay schoolgirl—a laughing golden-brown child, with deep black eyes and a golden anklet ring on her tiny feet.

She was lovely and innocent then; and I wonder how often white women, looking at her and her friends playing happily in the sun, must have said: "They're lovely. What a pity they have to grow up!"

What a pity Samsiah had to grow up. It has cost the lives of scores of white people and natives.

Samsiah first came into prominence when Boerstam, her Indonesian journalist husband, was given a stiff jail sentence for sedition in Perak, the state where Samsiah was born. She fled from Perak Eastwards to Pahang and to-day hunts the jungle as co-leader with Chi' Dar bin Abdulah, also from Perak, of a gang of 40 or 50 strong.

When she visits the towns along the Singapore-Siam railway in the Tring-Jerantut area she dresses in a gaily-coloured sarong that reaches to her ankles, and perches a red hibiscus flower in her hair.

She dusts her face with rice powder, blackens her eye-brows with kohl, and wears orange-yellow lipstick.

Under her sarong, strapped to her belt about her waist, hangs two hand grenades.

In the jungle she wears Communist bandits' uniform—shirt and slacks fastened at the ankles. And the grenades hang from her waist in full view.

Exactly which deeds of violence committed in the Tring-Jerantut area are due to Samsiah and her gang is not known, but these atrocities are almost certainly her work:

On the mountainous fringes of Pahang live the Sakals. They are timid, lovable, backward people.

One day a gang broke into a Sakal village, dragged out 34 of the natives, forced them at gunpoint to dig their graves, then shot the defenceless natives into them.

In March this year a train was derailed South of Mentakab after an explosion. A constable was killed.

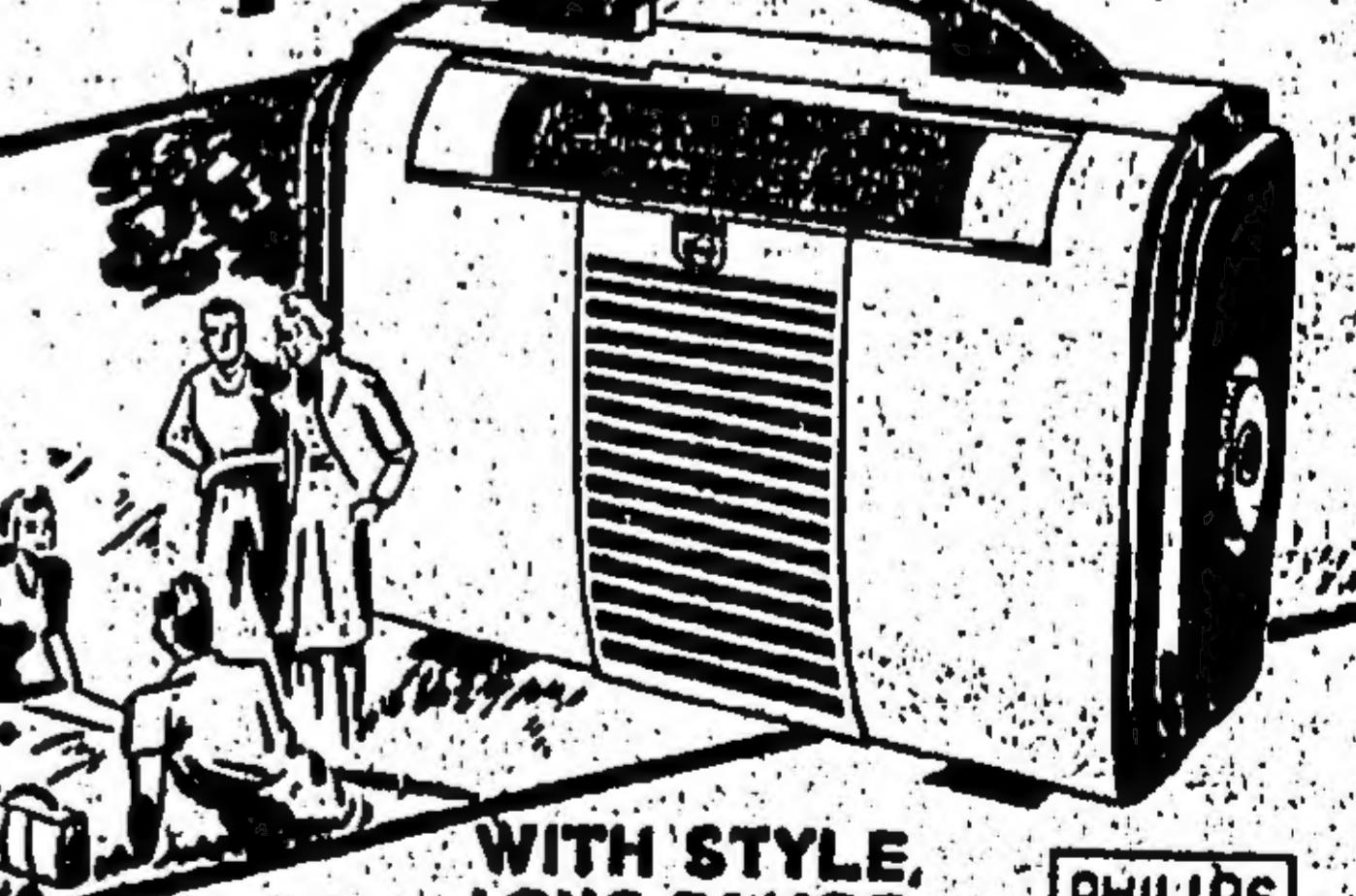
In October last year two people were killed and 10 others injured when bandits stopped a train between Jerantut and Mentakab.

The day before the same bandits robbed one rubber estate and killed two Chinese on a second.

A month earlier 15 people—including two Europeans—were killed when bandits attacked Kuala Krau on same railway line. The town was occupied by the bandits, the telephone wires cut, the railway track torn up and the police station burned down.

But the list could be extended almost indefinitely. No wonder there is that price of 2,000 dollars on her head.

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EUROPEAN ECONOMIC UNION REJECTED BY THE LABOUR PARTY

London, June 12. The Labour Party for the first time today openly rejected current schemes for the complete political and economic union of Europe. It turned down any idea of taking part in a European Parliament with legislative powers, and in effect repudiated British participation in any European experiment not founded broadly on Socialist principles. The policy statement—contained in a 6,500-word booklet entitled "European Unity"—is expected to create controversy, both in Parliament and in the Council of Europe when its Consultative Assembly meets in August at Strasbourg.

PACIFIC PACT A "MUST"

Ottawa, June 12. The Australian Air Minister, T.W. White, told the Press today that a Pacific defence pact was imperative because "Asian nations cannot stand alone against the sweep of Communism in South East Asia."

"All the free nations of the world must co-operate if the march of Communism in the East is to be halted," said Mr. White.

Any arrangements for a Pacific pact should include provisions for the interchange of military personnel among signatory nations such as now exist between the Australian and British Air Forces, he continued. Such a plan, if carried out also with Canada and the United States, would tend to strengthen Empire relations. He would discuss it with Canadian defence leaders.

Mr. White is in Canada for the International Civil Aviation Organization Assembly in Montreal.

He said there was little chance for the sale to Australia of Canada's twin-engined jet fighter, the CF-100. The Australian Air Force planned to use Britain's single-engined Hawker fighter and the twin-engined Canberra bomber. United Press.

CHINESE RULING ON WOOLLENS

San Francisco, June 12. Exportable Chinese woollen goods would be exempted from Customs duty and the woollen textile industry in China could apply for imports from foreign countries.

These were two of the decisions taken at a meeting in Peking recently of representatives of China's woollen and linen textile industries, according to Peking Radio tonight. The decisions were aimed at the revival and development of the industries.

The meeting "recognised that China's woollen industry had been heavily dependent on Imperialist countries and that it would have to turn towards the home market in future if it was to develop," the Radio said.

Delegates to the conference noted that the Indian textile industry, which drew its materials from and had its market in China, had a bright future and was expected to expand as soon as new hemp supplies were available on the market. Reuter.

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Close co-operation with Asia and America, for the benefit of European peace and prosperity, was urged.

The document dismissed the idea of a neutral European "third force" to stand between the United States and Russia.

Published only a few hours before the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, was due to make a statement of Government policy on the Schuman Plan for merging the European heavy industries, the Labour Party's manifesto greeted the plan as "a critical challenge which the Socialists will be the first to welcome."

But it asserted that any industries concerned in European planning should be subject to Government direction in their own country, and later stated, "Joint planning means nothing unless the industries in each country are required to fit their investment programme into a European plan."

The Labour Party is convinced that nothing less than public ownership can ensure this fully."

Relations with

At a Press conference on the pamphlet, a Cabinet Minister, Mr. Hugh Dalton—who will lead the British delegation in Strasbourg—declared that the pamphlet's reference to public ownership should be taken as applying only to Britain.

The pamphlet said that unless industries were under State direction a Government which had accepted certain obligations in an international organisation would have no means of carrying them out.

Main hesitations which have been evident in British Labour's approach to proposals for integration in Europe are clearly brought out in the manifesto.

They are:

(1) That Britain's special relationship to, and dependency on, the Commonwealth and the Sterling Area must be taken into full account.

The economies of the Commonwealth countries are complementary to that of Britain to a degree which those of Western Europe can never equal," it said.

(2) Any schemes which would reverse or reverse Socialist planning or achievements in social welfare would be difficult to accept on the grounds of political doctrine and would be unlikely to bring peace or prosperity in practice.

(3) "Arbitrary surrender-of-sovereignty to a super-national authority—whether in the Schuman Plan or in the political field of the Council of Europe—is both undemocratic and unworkable without a clear definition of the responsibilities of that authority.

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Benghazi, June 12. The Emir Senussi, speaking today at the opening of Cyrenaica's new Parliament, said that his Government intended to raise a national militia to help the regular police maintain law and order. It also intended to support the United Nations resolution to make Libya an independent sovereign State by 1952. United Press.

Stanley's offer for Paris store purchase

Paris, June 12. Sidney Stanley, key figure in a 1948 British inquiry into alleged corruption of Government officials, has made an offer to buy the bankrupt Bon Marche department store in Paris.

Stanley was reported to have made his offer in the name of a syndicate.

The official liquidating the firm for the court said that the syndicate which Stanley heads includes American capital, but no amplification could be obtained.

Stanley disappeared from England in the spring of 1949, a few days before he was due to appear in court in a bankruptcy case. He passed through Paris and then went to Israel.

Stanley appeared in a French court today in connection with a complaint he has filed against Bernard and Liebel Silverstein, accusing them of kidnapping him on April 1, 1949, and stealing money and jewels from him.

The Silversteins countered with a complaint against Stanley, alleging defamation of character.

The examining magistrate told Stanley today of the result of investigations in the case and Stanley asked for a delay to collect his documents and English witnesses.

When asked about the Bon Marche offer, Stanley said, "I have engaged in business deals much worse than the Bon Marche and I have succeeded in putting them on their feet. The Bon Marche can become one of the biggest department stores in Europe because the potential is there."

Stanley is commonly referred to as "the English Stavsky." Stanley made known his displeasure with this appellation, saying: "Stavsky is dead. I am very alive and will prove it again and again."

There is nothing to approach me."

THE CHINA MAIL, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 1950.

No general election until 1951?

London, June 12. The Food Minister, Mr. Maurice Webb, today forecast that the Labour Government would continue in office well into the next year.

Mr. Webb, until recently Chairman of the Parliamentary Labour Party, told a meeting at Caxton, London: "This Government is going to go on much longer than a lot of people fear. The Government will choose the moment for the election, not the newspapers," he said.

"We shall decide when we want another mandate, not the Opposition."—Reuter.

ILLEGAL RADIOS IN CEYLON

Ceylon, June 12. Post Office officials are trying to track down and close 28 illegal radio transmitters operating in Ceylon, some of which are broadcasting to Russia.

The officials have no evidence that the illegal Ceylon stations and the Government-supervised Russian stations exchange anything more than the usual technical details about reception and operation that radio "hams" usually discuss, but none of the stations is officially listed and it is extremely difficult to monitor them. Some may be transmitting information which licensed stations are forbidden to handle.

Postal officials got their first lead on illegal stations when post cards addressed to call signs not included in the 72 licensed Ceylon transmitters began to arrive at the Post Office, some of them from Russia. They were the usual "ham" type, dealing only with the quality of reception, but officials suspect that persons in Ceylon, believed to have contacts with Russia, may be using these illegal transmitters.

The police have pointed out that all radio "hams" in Russia are carefully inspected and thoroughly controlled by the Government, to whom they must report all contacts with foreign stations.

Some illegal Ceylon transmitters are believed to be in the Jaffna area in North Ceylon and are probably being used by smugglers. The Army, RAF and Navy may be asked to assist in the hunt for them.

Several million rupees worth of radio equipment, including a large number of British Army transmitters, were sold to the public after the war by the British Disposals Board. Some of this equipment probably is being used by the illegal stations. United Press.

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NEW APPROACH TO WORLD'S PROBLEMS SUGGESTED AT ILO

Shri Khandubhai K. Desai, President of the Indian National Trade Union Congress, today urged the statesmen of the world to aim at creating a psychology which may bring into existence a co-operative commonwealth.

Addressing the International Labour Conference here as the delegate of Indian workers, he said, "This approach necessarily demands vision, sacrifice and the discarding of the traditional notions about superiority and patronage."

ROMULO IN CAR CRASH

Rochester, June 12. General Carlos P. Romulo, the Philippine Foreign Secretary and President of the United Nations General Assembly, completed a 12,000-mile air dash from Manila and then narrowly missed injury in a car collision today to keep a date. But he arrived too late for active participation in Commencement Exercises at the University of Rochester.

The car carrying the Philippine diplomat from the airport to the university crashed with a taxicab. Occupants of both machines escaped harm.

General Romulo, nevertheless, was able to deliver the message he had sped half way around the world to give. "A reviving South East Asia will not fall prey to Communism."

He expressed his view to a reporter as a special plane of the *Gannett* newspaper hurried him from New York City to Rochester on the last leg of his long flight. He was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws by the university.

"From Asia comes a message of hope," General Romulo said, "because Asia believes in peace and peace is opposed to Communism."

General Romulo scouted rumours that the Philippine Government is uneasy. "Vigorous democracy is taking root in the Philippines," he said, "and also in other free Asian countries."

General Romulo started his rush trip from Manila last Saturday morning.—Associated Press.

Haifa oil question still very complex

London, June 12. The question of resumption of oil supplies to the Haifa refineries is still considered in authoritative quarters here as one of extreme complexity.

The Arab countries, according to the best available information here, have given no indication that they are ready to reconsider their intention to maintain the oil blockade of the Haifa refineries as part of their economic blockade. Suggestions that Britain exert her influence on Egypt to allow shipments through the Suez—as an initial move to encourage other Arab States, particularly Iraq, to abandon the blockade—were dismissed in diplomatic quarters.

Little is expected from such moves now in view of the reported failure to establish the basic for Anglo-Egyptian negotiations following the visit to Cairo last week of Field-Marshal Sir William Slim. Official quarters in principle sympathise with the suggestion that oil should again be pumped to Haifa because it would save Britain some US\$40,000,000 in foreign currency and

would remove the threat of seizure of the refineries.

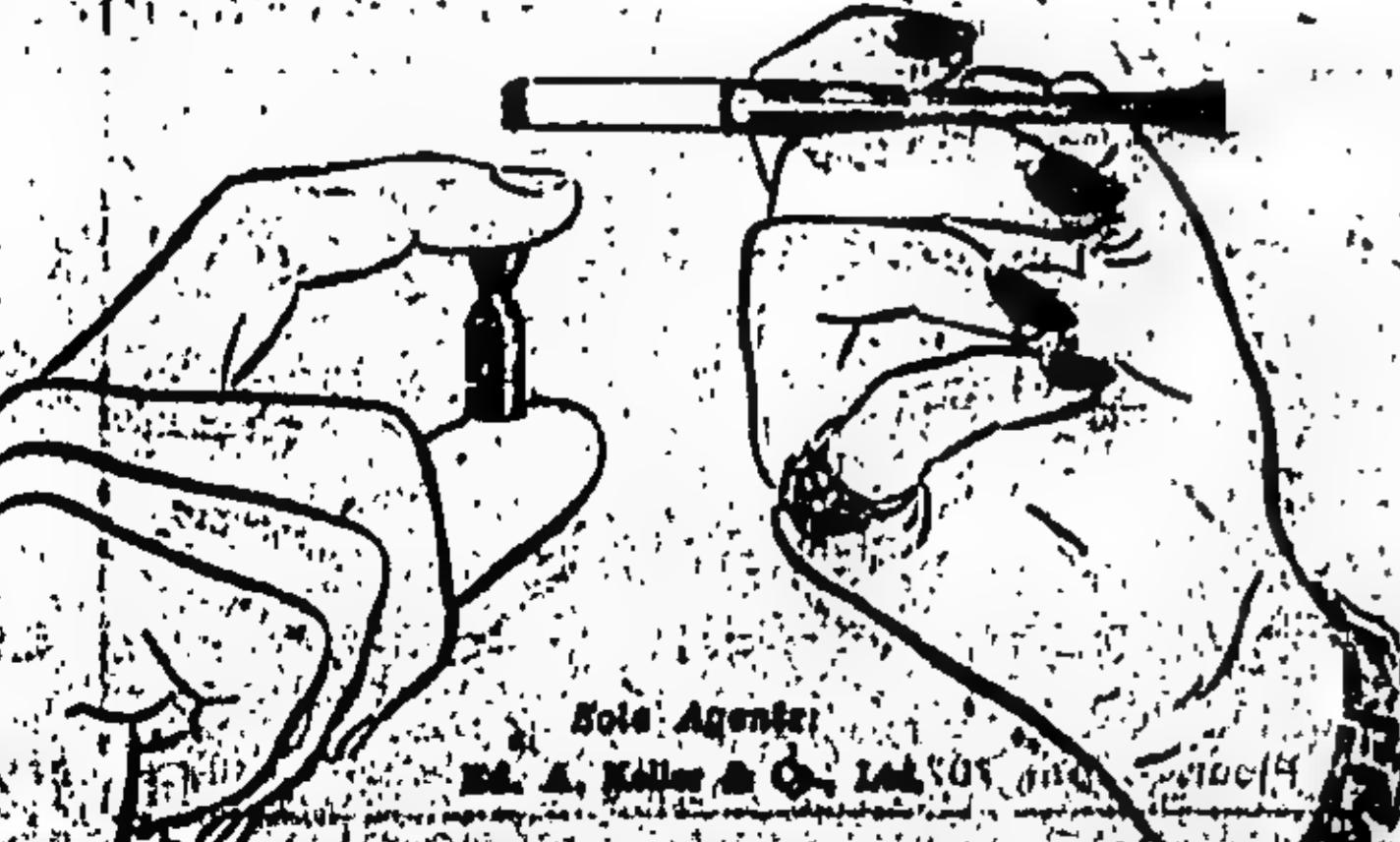
The forthcoming visit to London of Nouri Pasha, former Iraqi Premier—believed motivated equally by the desire to discuss oil problems—may, in the view of Whitehall sources, present a new opportunity for informal discussions on prospects of resumption of the Middle East oil supply position.

Earlier British efforts to persuade the Iraqis to reopen the pipe line to Haifa had failed. So did the discussion between representatives of oil refineries here and David Horowitz on the occasion of his visit to London two months ago, when he discussed unfreezing of Israel sterling balances.

Little concrete appears so far to have emerged regarding provisions of credits for financing of exports of industrial equipment by British firms to Israel. British exporters were reported to be interested in a suggestion for short-term or revolving credits to prevent shifting of orders to the United States or other markets, including the continent.—United Press.

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ICELANDIC MP'S IN LONDON

London, June 12. Two Icelandic Members of Parliament arrived here by air today from Reykjavik as the guests of British Members of Parliament.

They were Mr. Djarni Asgeirsson, a former Minister of Agriculture, and Mr. Sigrudur Bjarnason, a journalist.

They will stay a week and will visit Parliament and Government offices.—Reuter.

NAVAL HERO DEAD

London, June 12. Admiral Sir Henry Harwood, hero of the first major naval action of the Second World War—the Battle of the River Plate—has died at Goring-on-Thames.

Sir Henry Harwood, who was 62, was in command of the cruiser squadron consisting of the cruisers Achilles, Ajax and Exeter which outmatched the German pocket battleship, the Graf Spee.—Reuter.

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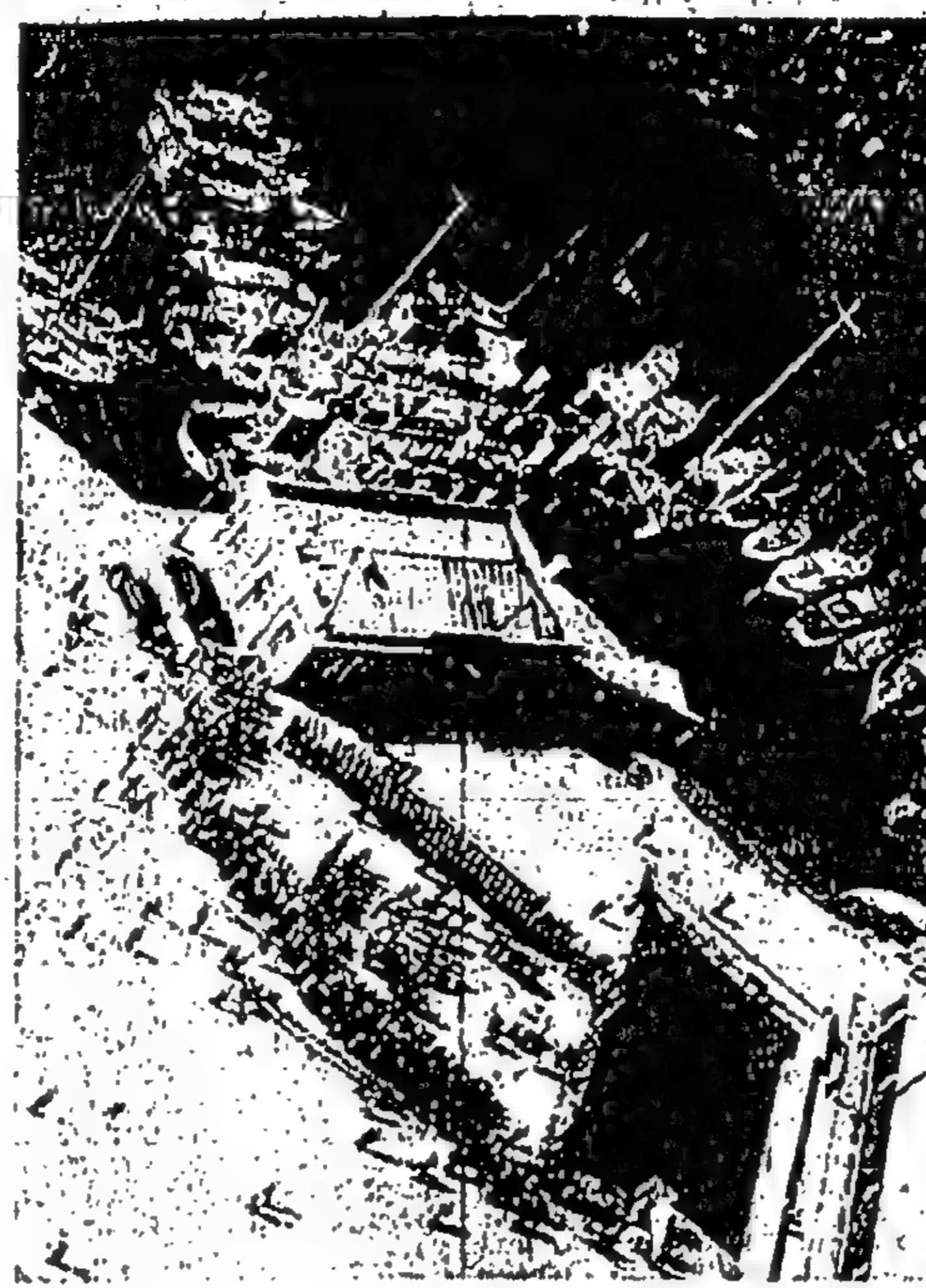
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maintain the best equipment of plant and machinery and to create and keep up the best conditions of work to help labour achieve this end."

Sir Shri Ram declared that both India and Pakistan were confronted with one of the most formidable, unprecedented and baffling problems relating to displaced persons.

"The sudden influx of millions of up-rooted immigrants is causing a great strain on the economy of our two countries," he said.

"We have not yet broken the back of the problem and much remains to be done."

Urgent problem

Sir Shri Ram went on to say that betterment of conditions for agricultural workers was a problem that must be solved for the basic economic improvement in India.

"It is a problem that has to be tackled soon because the gulf between agricultural and factory labour is widening and thus aggravating the discontent of agricultural labour."

The ILO should devote more attention to furthering the Co-operative movement in India, especially among the agricultural workers.

"The enormous surplus population in my country can never be absorbed by large-scale industry," he said. "The only way in which India can achieve a really satisfactory and balanced economy is by developing its cottage industries intensely."

"Potentially, India is rich. It has immense and varied natural resources and an intelligent, peaceful, law-abiding and hard-working population. All that it needs is a start on an even keel on its course of economic development."—Reuter.

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FRANCE AND PEKING REGIME

New York, June 12. Jean Chauvel, chief of the French delegation to the United Nations, said today that the French Government has not altered its decision to abstain from voting for sealing the Chinese Communist representative to the Security Council.

Mr. Chauvel arrived by Air France airliner from Paris where he spent a week conferring with the Government on United Nations matters.

He said that his recent Paris statement urging a quick solution to China's representation on the Security Council does not mean that France has made a decision on the China question.

M. Chauvel told reporters: "My instructions remain the same; abstain from voting for sealing China's Communists."

He then repeated, "My instructions have not changed" and, shrugging his shoulders, added, "But they may be changed."

Associated Press.

Stabilisation of franc premature?

Paris, June 12. The French currency is moving progressively towards a de facto position of stabilisation, but any attempt at a legal stabilisation would at this moment be premature, the French Finance Minister, M. Maurice Poche, declared today in a statement published by the newspaper *"Rube"*, official organ of the Premier's Party.

French newspaper articles published on Saturday forecasting an early stabilisation of the franc were described in official financial quarters today as the expression of private views, but observers were still inclined to regard them as officially inspired bits of kite-flying.—Reuter.

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SOVIET RUSSIA SELLING GEMS IN ANTWERP

Brussels, June 12.
Gems once owned by Russia's pre-Revolution aristocracy are being sold by the Soviet authorities on Antwerp's diamond market to buy Belgian electrical equipment, Government sources reported today.

A survey of diamond traders in Antwerp revealed that most of the gems were polished between 30 and 50 years ago proving their pre-Revolution origin.

INCIDENT ON KASHMIR BORDER

Jammu, June 12.

One officer and five soldiers of the Kashmir State forces were killed yesterday in an exchange of fire with a band of Pakistan troops and about 50 armed Pakistan civilians who, according to reports received here, had crossed into Jammu Province near the border village of Gulabgarh to hit timber.

About 15 "raiders" were believed to have been killed in the encounter, the reports said.

The State forces' officer leading the patrol returned the fire and the shooting lasted about four hours.

The bodies of the officer and his five men were brought to Jammu and cremated today.

The incident, which is considered here as a breach of the India-Pakistan cease fire agreement, has been reported to the United Nations observers in Jammu and Kashmir.

The dealers complained that the polished stones meant less work for Belgian cutters but denied the reports that the Soviet sales were having any repercussions on the price of diamonds.

Dealers said the Soviet Embassy employs a diamond broker in Antwerp who handles all Russian sales.

Finance Ministry officials declined to estimate the size of the Soviet Embassy's bank account here. Other informed sources, however, said it was in the neighbourhood of \$1,500,000.

The funds, it was reliably reported, are used mainly to buy electrical equipment. Government sources said that so far the Russian mission had not attempted to buy potential war materials.

A Soviet Embassy spokesman said, "I wouldn't know anything about such sales. We suggest that you contact our commercial attaché." The attaché was too busy to answer the telephone, his secretary said.

The Belgian authorities see no reason to interfere with the transaction.—United Press.

**NEW VIETNAM
POLICE CHIEF**

Saigon, June 12.

The French-sponsored Vietnam Government appointed a new national police chief today. He is Nguyen Van Tam, the former Minister of Security in Cochin-China, one of the provinces making up the new state of Vietnam.

He succeeds Nguyen Van Dai, who was criticised for being insufficiently energetic after a number of assassinations of officials and Europeans.—Associated Press.

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Vienna, June 12.

Professor Hans Thirring, Austria's leading atomic scientist, threw down a challenge to Eastern European delegates to secure from their leaders pledges of freedom for their peoples and practical proofs of their own humanity.

He was speaking at a session of the Communist-organised peace conference here.

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Benay (Lodder) British 1460 tons ex-Singapore	ex-BG	Pioneer Land (UBL) ...	11	2 Lexa Maersk (Johsen).
Danholm (E A) ...	KD	Pioneer Sea (UBL) ...	12	3 Tulane (Doddwell).
Fleetwood (UBL) British 1823 tons ex-Okinawa	ex-BH	Sister Admiral (Gilmour) ...	13	4 Pioneer (Jardine).
Hornbeam (E A) ...	KD	Boat Sales (Mac Mac) ...	14	5 Halland (Doddwell).
Horizon (A) British 1823 tons ex-Sandakan	ex-BH	Tallyard (Doddwell) ...	15	6 Williamette Victory (APL).
Herts (Mac Mac) British 1823 tons ex-Sandakan	ex-BH	Errolde (Thorson) ...	16	7 Sally Maersk (Johsen).
Horizon (A) British 1823 tons ex-Sandakan	ex-BH	Ferndale (Thorson) ...	17	8 Tudor (Doddwell).
Herts (Mac Mac) British 1823 tons ex-Sandakan	ex-BH	Pornfield (Thorson) ...	18	9 Aktion (Gilmour).
Herts (Mac Mac) British 1823 tons ex-Sandakan	ex-BH	Yankee Prince (Jardine) ...	19	10 Dartmouth Victory (APL).

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JUNE

Casterville (Bank) ...	21	Pioneer Lake (UBL) ...	10	11 Chinese, Prince (Jardine).
Contest (UBL) ex-Frisco	20	Contest (UBL) ...	11	12 Lexa Maersk (Johsen).
General Gordon (APL) ...	19	General Gordon (APL) ...	12	13 Tulane (Doddwell).
Fleetwood (UBL) ...	18	Fleetwood (UBL) ...	13	14 Pioneer (Jardine).
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TODAY

CPA ex-Singapore via Bangkok	8.15 a.m.	1 Chinese, Prince (Jardine).
PAA ex-London via Kuala Lumpur, Sandakan, Manila, Hongkong, New Delhi, Calcutta, Bangkok, Lhasa	12.30 p.m.	2 Lexa Maersk (Johsen).
PAA ex-London via Kuala Lumpur, Sandakan, Manila, Hongkong, New Delhi, Calcutta, Bangkok, Lhasa	2.30 p.m.	3 Tulane (Doddwell).
CPAL ex-Tokyo Vancouver	7 a.m.	4 Pioneer (Jardine).
HK AIRWAYS ex-Taipei	8.30 p.m.	5 Williamette Victory (APL).
HOAC ex-Singapore	10.15 p.m.	6 Sally Maersk (Johsen).

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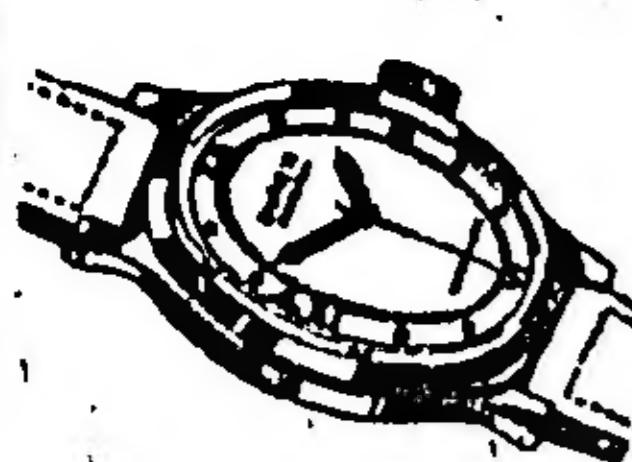
AIR FRANCE ex-Saigon via Hanoi	1.15 p.m.	7 Tudor (Doddwell).
CIA ex-Manila	1.30 p.m.	8 Lexa Maersk (Johsen).
CIA ex-Manila	3.10 p.m.	9 Tulane (Doddwell).
PAA ex-Singapore via Bangkok	4.30 p.m.	10 Pioneer (Jardine).
HOAC ex-Singapore	6.15 p.m.	11 Williamette Victory (APL).

FRIDAY

AIR FRANCE ex-Saigon via Hanoi	4.30 p.m.	12 Lexa Maersk (Johsen).
PAA ex-Singapore via Bangkok	5.30 p.m.	13 Tulane (Doddwell).
HOAC ex-Singapore	6.30 p.m.	14 Pioneer (Jardine).
HOAC ex-Singapore	8.30 p.m.	15 Williamette Victory (APL).
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County cricket:

Scoreboard error leads to a drama at Worcester

London, June 12. A double century, a bowling hat-trick and several spirited battles for first Innings points, which included one tie, marked today's play in the English County cricket programme. Charlie Harris, 41-year-old Notts opening bat, who on Saturday against Hampshire recorded his first century of the season, today continued the knock and was undefeated with 239 runs when the Notts innings closed.

He hit two fives and 31 fours while batting nearly eight hours. It was the highest score in his 22 years of first-class cricket.

The second hat-trick of the season was performed by A. E. Rhodes, 33-year-old Derbyshire spinner, who claimed the wickets of three University batsmen in the first ball at be played at Coalville in 37 years.

A scoreboard error led to a drama at Worcester, when the Worcester first Innings ended against Yorkshire. The board showed 337 runs, one behind Yorkshire's total, but the scorers discovered an additional extra and it brought the scores level.

This meant that should the match finish decisively the losing side would gain two points for a first Innings tie and in the event of a draw each side would get two points.

There had been only two previous instances of a first Innings tie since the scoring system was revised before the 1946 season.

E. Lendicoster, young Yorkshire leg-break bowler, claimed eight Worcester wickets for just over 10 runs apiece.

Lancashire failed

Five leg-break bowling by Jim Sims, who is 46, foiled Lancashire's bid for first Innings points over Middlesex, but they were only six runs behind.

Sims took five wickets for 66 runs.

Alan Moss, young Middlesex bowler, claimed his first County wicket—and a good one too, for he had Cyril Washbrook, the England opening bat, leg-before.

When Kent lost their eighth wicket at Gravesend, they were still 24 runs behind Somerset's first Innings total. Douglas Wright, the England spin bowler, was then seen in the unusual role of batsman and he and Ridgway carried the score past Somerset before Ridgway fell. Wright went on to make 43 not out.—Reuter.

COUNTY CRICKET

London, June 13. The following were the results of County cricket matches ended today.

At Horsham: Sussex beat Essex by eight wickets; Essex 274 and 160; John Dakes, right-arm off-spin bowler, six for 160.

At Conville: Leicestershire 343 and 26 for three. Warwickshire 300.

At Nottingham: Notts 401.

Warwickshire 199 for no wicket (McCorkell 103 not out, Rogers 72 not out).—Reuter.

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